

Thousands Pay Final Respects To Phil Conway

Persons from all walks of life filed St. John's church yesterday morning to pay final respects to Philip F. Conway, well known funeral director whose funeral was held at 9 o'clock from the Francis L. Conway & Sons' funeral home, followed by a solemn high mass at St. John's church at 10 o'clock.

A steady stream of friends filed into the funeral home during the visiting hours on Monday and Tuesday to express sympathy to the family of one of Peabody's best liked citizens.

Chaplain (Major) William B. Fitzgerald, office chief of Army Chaplains, Pentagon, D.C., and brother-in-law of the deceased celebrated the mass, assisted by Rev. Daniel Foley, S.J., deacon and Rev. Charles X. Leahy of St. John's church as sub deacon.

Seated within the sanctuary were Msgr. John J. Murray, pastor of St. John's church, Revs. James McNeil, O.M.I., Rev. Martin Norton, O.M.I., Rev. Thomas Ray, M.M., Rev. Charles Dewey representing the Catholic Charities office of Boston, Rev. Raymond Coulter, St. Ann's, Peabody, Rev. Gerald Dorgan, St. Margaret Mary, Westwood, Rev. George Sweeney, St. Kevin, Dorchester.

Present were representatives of practically all branches of the city government, headed by Mayor Philip C. O'Donnell. City officials included Police Chief John J. Purcell; Fire Chief, Arthur C. Flynn; Superintendent of Schools, William A. Welch; Health Agent, Leonard B. Jones; Thomas Hospital Superintendent, Thomas F. Connolly and Trustees, Dr. John Lane, Dr. John Walsh, George Southwick, Public Works Commissioner Frank McCarthy, City Councillors, Curtis Ryan, George Lawrence, John Manning, School Committee member John Keenan, Peabody Institute Trustees, Charles M. Boyle, Thomas J. Hayes, Librarian Nathan F. Masson.

Delegations from the various organizations with which the deceased was associated were also present including Peabody Lodge of Elks, Peabody Lions Club, Leo Council, K of C., Warren Five Cents Savings Bank, St. John's PTA, P.H.S. Class of 1930, Division 11, A.O.H., Massachusetts Funeral Directors Ass'n, St. John Mother's Guild, St. William's Guild, St. Elizabeth's Alumnae Association and Leo Guild.

Included in the hundreds that filled the church were: Louis Verza, John Gallagher, Bartholomew Ronan, James D. McNamara, William Peterson, Thomas Brady, Joseph Lynch, Henry Murphy, John Pierce, Joseph Mulcahy, Dr. John Ryan, Arthur Barry, Henry Higgins, Samuel Pearl, Edward McVann, Dr. Paul Duff, John Fitzpatrick, Thomas O'Keefe, Jr., Joseph Harrigan, Fred Tobla, Representative John E. Murphy, Daniel J. Harrigan, Charles Magavero, Lt. Joseph Whelton, Joseph Lur, Edward Meaney, Philip Henneke, and Thomas Cym.

Practically all funeral directors
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\$100,000 Off Street Parking Bond Up For Adoption This Evening

With Chamber of Commerce members out in full force this evening in support of the proposed off street parking lot at the corner of Foster and Lowell street, the \$100,000 bond order introduced by Mayor O'Donnell for the purpose of acquiring land for the project will be up for action on adoption.

The supporters of the proposition feel that the votes will be there tonight in favor of the bond order, although some of the councilors reserved the right, when voting to advertise the bond, to change their minds when it came up for adoption.

The chief arguments that have been raised against the project are 1) that it might prove too costly, and 2) that the present parking facilities are not 100% used by shoppers.

Advocates of the plan claim that sensible foresight now will pay off later. They point to other communities that have been faced with similar problems that now face Peabody, and how these communities have met shopping center

competition by keeping a step ahead on parking facilities and improved stores.

Other business on tonight's agenda speaks to be light. Commissioner Frank McCarthy will answer Councilor Kuva's idea on narrowing the sidewalk by the South church on the Central street side by saying that the electric light, police and shade tree departments should be consulted, and the opinion of the South church people sought.

The Eastman Gelatine Corp. has a communication on the construction of a dam at Flume Pond. Hanify Bros. are requesting permission to store 1,000 gallons of gasoline underground at 515 Lowell street; Ellis Motor Car Co. wishes to transfer location of Class II Motor Vehicle license from 35 to 43 Foster street; Edwin and Naomi Stanley request permission to place a trailer on their property at 331 Lowell street; and William F. Cromko asks to purchase strip of city-owned land at junction of Longview Way and Spring Pond road for \$50.

Merchants To Conduct Sale July 24, 25, 26

Using the glamorous title "Summertime Sav-u-rama", the merchants division of the Chamber of Commerce made preliminary plans this week to conduct a big sale this month in order to further prove to the shoppers of Peabody and vicinity that downtown values cannot be beat anywhere.

Thursday, Friday and Saturday, July 24, 25 and 26 have been selected as the dates for the three-day bargain event.

Twenty-five stores are expected to take part in the value-giving promotion.

—FOR SALE—
DINING ROOM SET,
KITCHEN SET, WASHING
MACHINE, DRAPES

Many Other Household Articles. All
In Excellent Condition. Must Be Seen
To Be Appreciated.
Apply 21 Roslyn Street, Salem.

Welfare Agent Resigns, Cyrus To Get Position

George Murphy, welfare agent, connected with the department since March, 1933, has submitted his request for retirement to Mayor O'Donnell. He asked that the effective date be August 1.

Murphy succeeded John McVann as welfare agent on the death of Mr. McVann, and has headed the department ever since. A veteran, he is retiring under the provisions of the act governing servicemen.

Mayor O'Donnell said yesterday that he will promote Thomas E. Cyrus to the position, and will ask the civil service commission for a qualifying examination for Mr. Cyrus.

Maids Of Athens To Hold Cake Sale Tomorrow

Peabody Salem Maids of Athens is sponsoring a cake sale at Reid & Huges in Salem tomorrow. Proceeds will go to St. Basil's Academy in Garrison, New York.

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AFTER THE 4th DRESS SALE
GOING ON NOW AT

Rep. Murphy Not
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REP. JOHN E. MURPHY

As intimated in last week's Times, Rep. John E. Murphy, who has served Peabody as its representative in the General Court longer than any other person than John A. Jones, who has a similar twelve-year record in the legislature, is announcing today his decision not to be a candidate for re-election.

His letter:

To the Editor of the Peabody Times

Dear Sir:

An impending appointment to the office of Special Justice of the District Court of Peabody before the fall term commences early in September, combined with a long-felt personal desire to be able to spend more time with my family, have moved me to decide not to be a candidate for re-election to the office of Representative from the 10th Essex District.

In making this announcement, I want to express my sincere appreciation to the people of Peabody and Salem for having afforded me the honor of serving them for several terms at the State House, and to acknowledge a very great debt of gratitude which I owe to my friends, and in turn to their friends, for their active support of my candidacy for public office over the years. These friendships I will always cherish.

John E. Murphy
Representative
10th Essex District

Rep. Murphy has enjoyed a successful career in his six terms in office, and has had an almost perfect record of attendance over the entire twelve years. A seven-year perfect attendance record.

